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### STATE APPROPRIATIONS.

THE direct appropriations for the State Normal Schools was approved by Governor Stone in full for both years. The appropriation for State Aid to Normal School students was approved for the first year only, consequently we are notified by the Superintendent of Public Instruction that next year there will not be fifty dollars for each graduate, though fifty cents per week will be paid during the first two terms and possibly a small part of it even during the third term.

OUR spring term is here and one-half of it has gone. This is undoubtedly the most prosperous term in the history of our school. Notwithstanding the increased attendance the school has held steadfastly to her well-known principle of increasing the number of classes in order to keep to a minimum the number of students in each class. For this reason three new teachers have been added to the faculty and several of the other members of the faculty are teaching extra classes. What is the result? Better drill; more attention to individual students; and a higher grade of scholarship is attained than would otherwise be possible.

One hundred sixty-five classes are taught each day by the twenty-six teachers in the faculty.

THE length of the school year has long been the occasion of lament on the part of weary pupils and over-worked teachers in the Normal Schools of the Commonwealth. Of the one hundred and forty other Normal Schools in the United States, two have a longer year, and two, one having three teachers and one having four, have a year the length of ours. Two of these are on the Pacific Coast, one in Kentucky, and one is in Paterson, N. J. Experience has therefore settled the fact that a Normal School year of forty-two weeks is too long. Fifty-eight of these schools have a year of forty weeks. No other number of weeks has been adopted by as many.

A resolution was passed in the meeting of Principals at Harrisburg in 1897 making it possible for any of our State Normal Schools to reduce the year to forty weeks. The schools of West Chester, Bloomsburg, Lock Haven, Clarion, and Edinboro availed themselves of the full measure of this opportunity. Indiana reduced the school year to forty-one weeks, which it will be next year also. From that time forward the school year of Indiana will probably be forty weeks. Among the advantages of the change enumerated by West Chester are the following:

"The reduction of the school year here to forty weeks has proved to be a popular and beneficial change. The two hottest weeks of the school year are avoided; students needed for summer work at their homes are accommodated; graduates have an earlier and better opportunity to secure schools; and other students who wish to take superintendents' examinations are more likely to be able to finish the term before they must take

the examinations and look for schools."

Doubtless in the near future the State Normal Schools of Pennsylvania will be added to the other fifty-eight, making seventy-one or nearly half of all in the United States, that find forty weeks the most satisfactory for the length of the school year.

The program for Commencement Week is as follows:

June 25, 8:00 p. m., Baccalaureate Sermon.

June 26, 8:00 p. m., Erodelphian Anniversary.

June 27, 2:00 p. m., Class Day Exercises.

June 27, 8:00 p. m., Commencement Concert.

June 28, 9:00 a. m., Commencement Exercises.

June 28, 8:00 p. m., Alumni Reception.

A cordial invitation is extended to the Alumni and friends of the school to attend these exercises.

The Alumni and friends of the school will regret to learn that the beautiful hedge which surrounded the campus and which was the pride of the Trustees was frozen during the winter to within a few inches of the ground. We are glad to state that the roots are strong and vigorous and from present appearances it will not be long until another growth will replace the one that was frozen.

The officers of the Junior class are: President, H. C. Bee; Vice President, G. M. Edwards; Secretary, Alice Smith; Treasurer, Jame Bruce.

Six hundred forty-six students on the campus makes our attendance the largest in our history.



## ATHLETICS.

The basket ball season was closed in March by our team meeting the Wilkinsburg Y. M. C. A. We were defeated 13 to 5, but our team showed the good effects of Prof. Phythyon's training and by next season we can have a team that will be able to meet all comers. The game is very popular here and was a financial success.

The base ball season was looked forward to with unusual interest because of the fact that the boys were in excellent physical condition by gymnasium work, and its was soon evident that we had material for a very good team. The weather allowed early field practice, so that we were able to have our opening game with Apollo on Saturday, April 22. The game allowed people to get a line on the team. The Normal boys made a favorable impression both in the field and at the bat. Fletcher, Normal's new pitcher, had plenty of speed and good control, only six hits being made off of his delivery while 13 men struck out.

NORMAL.....R B P A E				APOLLO.....R B P A E			
Williams 3	1	1	0	0	Moore 1	0	1
Sherrard r	2	2	0	0	Cochrane r	0	0
Phythyon s	1	2	0	2	Malrkey s p	0	2
Watson 1	1	1	0	0	Alcorn 2	0	1
Owens 2	1	0	2	0	Bell m	1	2
Mahaffey m	1	1	1	0	Stevens m	0	5
St. Clair c	0	0	1	2	Gallaugh r	0	0
Pownall 1	2	1	0	1	Wood c	1	0
Fletcher p	1	1	1	2	Kline p s	0	1
Totals	10	9	24	10	Totals	3	6

Summary—Three base hits, Phythyon. Bell; base on balls, off Kline 3, Malrkey 3; hit by pitched ball, Fletcher 2, Malrkey 1, Kline 1; struck out, by Fletcher 13, by Kline 3, by Malrkey 4; Passed balls, Wood 1; Time, one hour 55 minutes. Umpire J. H. Smith.

On Saturday, April 29, the team met Johnstown Athletic Club and defeat at their hands, after a very hard fought and exciting game. It was a pitchers' battle between Williams for Normal and Sperline for Johnstown, with honors even. Normal's errors account for the score:

NORMAL.....R B P A E				JOHNSTOWN.....R B P A E			
Sherrard m	0	0	3	0	Mainhart 2	1	1
Phythyon s	0	0	3	2	Hawes s	0	1
Williams p	0	1	1	2	Gatins 3	1	0
Fletcher 3	0	0	3	1	Goff m	0	0
Owens 2	0	0	0	1	Pounds 1st	0	1
Watson 1st	0	0	8	1	Robinson 1	0	1
St. Clair D, c	0	0	6	1	Sperline p	1	0
Pownall r	0	1	1	0	Murphy c	1	0
St. Clair F, 1	0	1	2	0	Bailey r	0	0
Totals	0	3	24	7	Totals	4	4

Summary—Bases on balls, off Sperline 1; struck out by Sperline 9; by Williams 8; passed balls, St. Clair 1. Time of game, 2 hours. Umpires, Trenchon and Smith.

Westminster College team arrived here Saturday evening, May 6. The field was so wet from the heavy rains that the game could not be played until Tuesday afternoon, when the most exciting game of the season was played. The fielding of Pownall and the left-handed catch of Degelman were of the star order. Fletcher being wild, Williams relieved him in the third inning. We see visions of games to our credit, inspired by the fielding of the boys.

NORMAL.....R B P A E				WESTM'NST'R R B P A E			
Owens 2	1	1	4	1	Edmundson 3	0	0
Williams p	3	0	0	1	Degelman s	1	0
Sherrard m	3	0	1	0	Chambers m	0	2
Phythyon s	1	0	2	3	McKimm p	0	0
Watson 1	1	1	7	0	Davies c	2	2
Hammers r	0	1	0	0	Grier 1	1	1
St. Clair c	0	0	5	2	Kuhn 1	0	8
Pownall 1	0	1	2	0	Porter 2	0	0
Fletcher p	0	0	1	0	Cameron r	0	0
Totals	3	5	27	10	Totals	4	5

\*Pownall out for not running in 5th inning.

NORMAL.....R B P A E				WESTM'NST'R R B P A E			
Owens 2	0	0	1	0	Edmundson 3	0	0
Williams p	0	0	1	0	Degelman s	1	0
Sherrard m	0	0	1	0	Chambers m	0	2
Phythyon s	1	0	2	3	McKimm p	0	0
Watson 1	1	1	7	0	Davies c	2	2
Hammers r	0	1	0	0	Grier 1	1	1
St. Clair c	0	0	5	2	Kuhn 1	0	8
Pownall 1	0	1	2	0	Porter 2	0	0
Fletcher p	0	0	1	0	Cameron r	0	0
Totals	3	5	27	10	Totals	4	5

Summary—Earned runs, Normal, 2; two base hits, Sherrard, Hammers; home run, Owens; stolen bases, Edmundson 3, Kuhn 1; bases on balls, by Fletcher 5, Williams 3; hit by pitched ball, by Fletcher 1, McKimm 2; struck out by Fletcher 2, by Williams 3, by McKimm 6; passed balls, St. Clair 2. Time 1 hour, 40 minutes. Umpire, Pounds.

The Normal team went to Vandergrift on Saturday, May 13, where they played their team and an umpire. It is always difficult to win against 10 men but the team succeeded, thanks to Fletcher's fine pitching, and almost perfect support by the team.

NORMAL.....R B P A E				VAND'GR'FT R B P A E			
Owens 2	1	0	3	2	Bell 1	1	1
Sherrard 3	2	0	0	1	Brocker p	1	2
Watson 1	0	0	7	0	Clever 1	0	2
Phythyon s	0	2	0	3	Stewart 3	0	2
Hammers r	0	1	3	0	Lane 2	0	0
Mahaffey m	0	0	0	0	McMurry s	0	0
Pownall 1	0	0	1	0	Kline m	0	1
St. Clair c	0	0	9	1	Nevin r	0	1
Fletcher p	0	1	1	0	Hazlett c	0	2
Totals	3	4	24	7	Totals	2	24

NORMAL.....R B P A E				VAND'GR'FT R B P A E			
Owens 2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Sherrard 3	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Watson 1	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
Phythyon s	0	2	0	3	0	2	0
Hammers r	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
Mahaffey m	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pownall 1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
St. Clair c	0	0	9	1	0	0	0
Fletcher p	0	1	1	0	0	2	0
Totals	3	4	24	7	Totals	2	24

Summary—Earned runs, Normal 1; three base hits, Clever, Hazlett; two base hits, Hammers; struck out by Brocker 12, by Fletcher 10.

W. U. P. met the Normal team on Friday afternoon May 19, and have not been heard from since. They were not dangerous at any stage of the game. The home team seems to have struck their batting streak. The features of the game were the fine catching of Hammers without previous practice, Owens' catch back of first base, Phythyon's game at short stop, and Williams' heavy batting.

NORMAL.....R B P A E				W. U. P.....R B P A E			
Owens 2	2	2	0	2	Cabelle ss	1	1
Williams p	2	3	0	1	Barkley 3	0	1
Sherrard 3	3	1	0	0	Steele 1	1	1
Phythyon ss	2	1	0	4	Fisher c	1	2
Watson 1	1	1	4	0	Earl 1	0	0
Hammers c	1	3	7	3	Ingersoll m	0	2
Mahaffey r	0	0	2	0	Cullers r	1	0
Fletcher m	1	1	0	0	Kalloe p	1	0
Pownall 1	1	1	0	0	L'tenschl'gr 2	0	3
Totals	13	13	27	8	Totals	5	7

Normal.....2 2 1 0 0 3 5 0 \*-13  
W. U. P.....0 0 4 0 0 0 0 1-5  
Summary—Earned runs, Normal 4; W. U. P. 1; two base hits, Watson, Phythyon, Sherrard, Cabelle; base on balls, off Williams 2, Kalloe 7; hit by pitched ball, by Kalloe 4; passed balls, Hammers 2, Fisher 2; struck out, by Williams 6, by Kalloe 4; wild pitches by Kalloe 1. Umpires, Pounds and Davis.

## TRACK ATHLETICS.

There has been some interest in track athletics this spring and the following program for field sports was arranged to be carried out after the game with Johnstown on Arbor day. Some very promising material was developed. We hope to see this department worked up, because it is of general interest; in fact there is no sport more exciting or graceful than a hurdle race, or pole vault. Another point is that a greater number of students can take part in it than in most other sports.

## ARBOR DAY FIELD SPORTS.

220 Yard Dash—First Trial Heat.  
McCallip, C. M. Hammer, Simon, Veckley.

100 Yard Dash—First Trial Heat.  
J. C. Mahaffey, Slater, Parsons, Strassler.

High Jump.  
Veckley, Jack, Ashcom, Marshall, Jewart.

220 Hurdle.  
C. M. Hammer, Bee, McCallip, Jack.

120 Hurdle.  
Veckley, Jack, Ashcom, Shaulis.

Hop, Step and Jump.  
C. M. Hammer, J. D. St. Clair, Bee, Ashcom, Fink, Shaulis.

220 Yard Dash—Second Trial Heat.  
Marshall, Shaulis, Yingling, Parsons.

100 Yard Dash—Second Trial Heat.  
Veckley, Ashcom, Shafer, Bruce.

Running Broad Jump.  
R. W. Beatty, Shaulis, Miller, J. D. St. Clair.

220 Dash—Final Heat,  
First and second men in first and second trial heats.

High Kick.  
Northwood, Bee, Ashcom, Hammer, J. D. St. Clair, Fink, Shaulis.

100 Yard Dash—Final Heat.  
First and second men in the first and second heats.

Sack Race.  
Miller, Norris, Marshall, Sam Hammer, Love.

## THE JUNIOR CONTEST.

The fifth annual contest of the Junior Class was held in the chapel on Monday evening, March 20.

The committee on decorations made

an extra effort to have the chapel present an attractive appearance and they succeeded admirably. The class colors, purple and white, were used in profusion, while banks of hot house plants and numerous bouquets of carnations, the class flower, gave the stage a most beautiful appearance.

While all the contestants could not be awarded first honor, the judges and the audience were quite free in commending all the participants.

The program was as follows :

Music.	
Prayer.	
Chorus—Violet and Bee	Caldicott
Debate—Question: Resolved that Trusts and Monopolies are Injurious to the Public Welfare.	
Affirm: J. Philip Riethmiller.	
Negative: Leon H. Hoffman.	
Chorus—Peasant Wedding March	Soderman
Essays—The Alchemist	Margaret Owens
Grapes of Eschol	Cora L. Allen
Piano Duett—Tarentella	Rheinberger
Miss Hammond, Miss Henderson.	
Declamations—	
Grady's "New South"	A. Earl Griffith
Patrick Henry's Speech Before the Convention of Delegates in Virginia, in 1775	James L. Bruce
Chorus—The Belfry Tower	Hutton
Orations—Room at the Top	Virgil Zener
Unity in Diversity	R. C. O'Connor
Piano Solo—Spring	Carreno
Miss Owens.	
Recitations—"Star Bright"	
"Elizabeth C. Haines.	Laura E. Richards
"The Going of the White Swan"	Gilbert Parker
Alice E. Smith.	
Chorus—Now the Roll of the Lively Drum	
Decision of the Judges.	La Fille Du Regiment
Chorus—Good Night	Bishop
*Excused	

Rev. L. B. Linhart, of Blairsville; Rev. J. F. Elder, of Derry, and Hon. J. B. Hammond, of Bolivar, were the judges. They awarded the first honor in the different contests to the following persons: Leon H. Hoffman, Cora L. Allen, James L. Bruce, R. C. O'Connor and Alice E. Smith.

#### MUSIC AT THE NORMAL.

The department of music was never in a more prosperous condition. The following programs have been given in the chapel:

Graduate's Recital by Miss Mary Jones, December 17, 1898.

Capriccio	Scarlati
Invention	Bach
Largo Op. 2, No. 1	Beethoven
Ronda Op. 13	
Berceuse	Iljinsky
Aintra's Tanz	Grieg
Nocturne	Brassin

Pupils' Recital, December 21, 1898.

Summer	G. Nevin
Male Quartette	Messrs. Zener, Bee, Jaques, Simon
To Spring	Gounod
Spring Dawn	Mason

Piano Duett—	Miss Henderson.	Jensen
Miss Hammond, Miss Smith		
Valse Mignonne	Schutt	
Valse Brillante	Moskowski	
Miss Hammond.		
Piano Duett—Hungarian Dances	Brahms	
Miss Owens, Miss Henderson.		
Water Sprites	Chaminade	
Valse Noble	Schytte	
Miss Owens.		
Aunnie Laurie	Dudley Buck	
Male Quartette.		

Pupils' Recital, March 23, 1899.

Bugle Song	Güchris	
Male Quartette	Messrs. Zener, Bee, Jaques, Simon	
Mazurka	Gordard	
Miss Thompson.		
Mazurka Melodique	Dolmetsch	
Miss Henderson.		
Dreaming	Gilchrist	
Male Quartette.		
Calirrhoe	Chaminade	
Miss Hammond.		
Piano Duett—Birthday Music	Bohm	
Miss MacMartin, Miss Clark.		
En Courant	Gordard	
Miss Owens.		
The Lost Chord	Sullivan	
Male Quartette.		

Mr. Edward Baxter Perry, the famous blind pianist of Boston, gave a most delightful recital in the chapel, April 17, 1899. Mr. Perry, besides being a remarkable performer, is a man of broad culture, and his explanatory talk on the compositions which he played was most instructive.

Beethoven	-	-	Sonata Op. 53
Beethoven—St. Saens.	-	-	Chorus of Dancing Dervishes
Godard	-	-	Pan's Flute Op. 50
Jensen	-	-	Drayde Op. 43
Grieg	-	-	Troll Dance, from Peer Gynt Suite
Sapellnikoff	-	-	Dance of the Elves, Op. 3
Chopin	-	-	Etudes, Op. 25. Nos. 1, 2, 7, 9 and 11
Liszt	-	-	Ballade, No. 2
Weber-Kullak	-	-	Lutzow's Wild Ride

Besides these programs a good deal of music has been given in the chapel Sunday evenings and at the weekly rhetorical exercises, and smaller recitals have been held in the studio.

#### THE PEDAGOGICAL CLUB.

At the close of the Winter term in the Pedagogical Club Miss MacMartin gave a talk on the appreciation of music, which suggested helps by which an untrained listener may be led into a keener enjoyment and a more intelligent understanding of music. Listening to music is a matter of the intellect quite as much as of the ear. Every musical composition has a theme more or less strongly marked, and a composer introduces his theme as often as he wishes to. The skill and originality with which he does, this shows his rank; the listener, on the other hand, has advanced a long way in the appreciation and intelligent understanding of music, when he can find the theme and hold to it no matter

in what way it may be introduced, or how obscure it may be by embellishments. In conclusion Miss MacMartin illustrated her talk by rendering compositions from famous authors.

At the meeting before the last Miss Mansfield gave a talk on the adolescent period. She said: "It is necessary that teachers in secondary schools make a study of this period, for it has characteristics of its own. Our curriculum of study must be based on an intelligent knowledge of this period. The physical characteristics of the period are rapid growth, unstable equilibrium, ill health, general discomfort. On the emotional side, it is the period of stress, strain, doubt, love, ambition. During this period, there is, on the mental side, danger of insanity. The mind turns naturally to history, philosophy, literature. The early part of the period is not a time for studies that require close co-ordination, such as the dead language and mathematics."

At the last meeting of the Pedagogical Club, Miss Peabody gave a talk on the laboratory method of teaching history. History is a science; not an exact science like botany or geology; because it deals with human beings who have minds of their own and who often set aside the laws of nature. What plants are to the botanist, words to the philologist, sources are to the historian. These sources are historical remains, traditions, passing events. History then, should be taught in a scientific way. The proper method is the laboratory method. The only difficulty in the way at present is the scattered condition of the sources. Such books as Mary Sheldon Barnes', Fling and Caldwell's "Studies in European and American History," have already appeared. These books furnish the necessary material culled from the great mass of sources. The former is published by D. C. Heath and Co. the latter, by J. H. Miller, Lincoln, Nebraska. This method of teaching history develops the historic sense, while cultivating in the broadest way the reasoning power.



## PROFESSIONAL DEPARTMENT.

May finds the practice teachers in Model with a bewildering wealth of material from which to choose subjects for Nature Study. All nature has been over-stimulated during the recent warm days with frequent rains, and verdure and birds have alike responded to the favorable conditions. Birds have arrived in great numbers—red-headed woodpeckers, flickers, and black birds fill the grove, while orioles, yellow birds and cat birds share with robins and sparrows the trees and shrubbery on the campus. More than twenty different kinds of birds can be readily counted on Normal grounds and many more—as the thrushes and meadow larks—are near neighbors. The Juniors are preparing for their fall teaching by studying birds and trees and are showing most satisfactory enthusiasm and most decided gain in observing power.

The Mother's Meetings, so cordially responded to last year—tho' unavoidably delayed in our winter term—have been resumed this spring. The following is the program for the meetings of this spring:

FRIDAY, MARCH 17.

"Art in the school." Use of wall pictures. Pictures in connection with daily lessons. Value of training in art. The study of form—training hand and eye.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28.

"Stages of Physical and Mental Development." Necessity for knowledge in order to be just to children. Connections between the stages and kinds of mental work that can be done at different times.

FRIDAY, MAY 26.

"School entertainments by children, their use and abuse." The effect upon children emotionally. Amount of time required. Is it well spent time? Opinions and testimony of teachers and mothers. Why children like to take part. How to retain the good effects and diminish the hurtful results.

On Friday, April 28, the talk was

conducted by the principal of Model, assisted by Miss Dayton, the art teacher. Some of the children's work was displayed, showing the new kinds of work introduced this year—brush work with ink and colored crayon work. The wall pictures were presented by the Seniors of '98 and, supplemented by blue prints and Perry Pictures, have furnished themes for language work. They are really fine copies of the Sistine Madonna and Murillo's "St. Anthony and the Christ-Child."

The second talk was given April 28, by Miss Mansfield, who drew upon the investigations carried on during recent years by the students of Child Study or Genetic Psychology. She briefly outlined the conditions under the three stages of Infancy, Childhood and Adolescence, and gave some of the conclusions that have been reached.

The remaining meeting will be under the charge of Mrs. Riddle and Miss Stewart.

Books:—We would like to call attention to two recently published books very helpful to teachers introducing Bird and Tree study into their schools:—"A Guide to the Trees and Shrubs of New England by their Leaves," (Edward Knobel.) 50 cents. Published by Bradlee Whidden, 18 Arch St., Boston. "Bird Neighbors" (Neltje Blanchan) \$2.00. Doubleday and McClure Co., New York.

The latter has colored plates and a classification by color that are most helpful to beginners.

## THE WASHINGTON TRIP.

One of the most pleasant and profitable features of the school year was the trip to Washington, arranged for the benefit of the Senior class. Accompanied by Dr. Waller, and several elderly ladies, a party of about thirty of the students left Indiana on Monday morning, March 20, bound for the Capital. The Pennsylvania Railroad company furnished a Tourist Guide who had charge of the party,

and by whom every detail of the trip had been carefully planned, thus relieving the tourists of much of the weariness of traveling. A pleasant journey across two states brought us to Washington in the evening. After dinner that evening, and again in the morning, we visited the Congressional Library, in order to see it lighted both by electricity and by sunlight. This grandest of America's architectural achievements beggars description. Harmony, richness and dignity of design all unite to make up one superb whole.

In the three days during which the party remained in Washington, almost every point of interest in the city was visited. The majestic Capitol, with its broad flights of marble steps, leading up to the columned porticos, and covering over three and a half acres of ground, was a place of untiring interest. The Rotunda itself, its walls adorned with paintings and frescoes, is a dream of beauty. In the Senate Chamber we saw Pennsylvania's vacant chair, and in the House, more representatives from the Keystone State occupied Speaker Reed's position in five minutes, than will be likely to hold it in reality, in several centuries.

The Dead Letter Office, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Treasury Building, State, War and Navy Building, Fisheries Building, National Museum, and the Smithsonian Institute all came in for their share of our time.

Mount Vernon, the old Washington homestead, and Arlington cemetery, the National burying ground of the heroes of the Civil War, leave impressions which time cannot efface.

Just as the name of Washington stands out on the pages of American History above every other name, so the Washington Monument towers above everything else, and eclipsing even the Capitol, its peak can be seen from all parts of the city. The view from the monument is one of unsurpassed beauty, and almost limitless



expanse. A perfect scene on a clear day!

To lovers of art the name Corcoran Art Gallery will be more expressive than words. If we had seen nothing else, we should still consider our time and money well spent.

Possibly the place of most interest to the young men was the Navy Yard. Here we saw the process of making those huge iron monsters which are the pride of our navy, and the dread of the enemy. We also saw a number of guns which had been raised from the Spanish vessels, the Christobal Colon and the Maria Christina, together with numerous other war relics. In dock were two small vessels which had been captured from the Spanish, and on board one of them we met one of Hobson's crew, a noble tar, who afterward rescued one of the boys' hats from the river, where it had been carried by an unruly wind.

With the Navy Yard ended our sight-seeing. We left for home on Thursday evening, arriving in Indiana the next morning. As we look back over the pleasant events of the trip, and realize the vast amount of information gained in so brief a time, and at so slight an expense, it is with gratitude that we turn to those who made it possible. The best hope that we can express for future classes is that more such opportunity may be afforded and taken advantage of by the students.

The Board of Trustees loses one of its strongest members and Normal one of its best friends by the removal of the Rev. Dr. Owens to Chicago where he becomes the editor of one of the leading religious papers of the United States. Mr. A. T. Moorhead, editor of the *Progress*, was elected to fill the vacancy in the Board of Trustees.

Dr. G. T. Reynolds, pastor of the M. E. church, was appointed a member of the Board of Trustees, to represent the State. Dr. Reynolds takes the place of Supt. A. M. Hammers, who resigned to become a member of the faculty for the coming year.

## WITH THE SOCIETIES.

### ERODELPHIAN OPEN MEETING.

The open meeting of the Erodolphian Literary Society, for the spring term, was held in Normal Chapel, Saturday evening, April 15.

The literary programme consisted of: First, the president's address by Mr. O'Connor, which was well written and was delivered in a clear and forcible manner; a declamation by Mr. Prothero; "The Fortune Teller," by Mr. Walker, Mr. Russell, Miss Smith and Miss Love, who sang and acted this pretty operetta in a graceful and comic manner; an oration, "The American Aborigines," by Mr. Simon, who not only charmed the audience by his oratorical powers and eloquent language, but touched the hearts of all present and brought forth repeated applause; music by Miss Henderson; an essay by Miss Crombie, which was marked by its vivid pictures and pretty thought; recitation, "Bobby Shaftoe" which was given by Miss Augusta Russell, in her usual pleasing way; the "Review" a well written paper by Miss Crawford. This programme together with music and the regular business was well carried out.

Then came the feature of the evening, the second act of the opera, "Pinafore," directed by Prof. Apple. The stage was set with appropriate scenery, the whole representing a ship with deck, cabin and masts; behind this over the deep blue sea could be seen the moon. The characters were all well represented together with a chorus of "sailor lads and lassies;" Mr. Owens acted the part of captain to perfection, and Miss Bertha Baker, as Buttercup, acted and sang as though she had been accustomed to the stage; the singing was very good and the sailor suits made every one appear to the best advantage.

Admission of 25 cents was charged and as a result there was a cultured and appreciative audience, including the faculty, who were highly pleased and wondered how such an entertainment could be prepared in so short a

time amid the many duties to be performed. Patrons and students alike agree that this was one of the best and most talented entertainments, if not the best, ever given by the Erodolphian Literary Society.

### HUYGHENIAN OPEN MEETING.

The Huyghenians held their regular open meeting, Saturday evening, April 22. The chapel was filled to its utmost capacity by the friends of the Huyghenians, who showed their appreciation. The following program was rendered.

Part I.	
March	"11:00 O'Clock Toast"
	Huyghenian Orchestra.
Reading of Minutes.	
Inauguration of Officers.	
President's Address.	
General Business.	
Declamation	"The Ride of Death"
	Mr. Francis O. Holsapple.
Piano Solo	"Valse Noble"
	Miss Margaret Owens.
Essay	"Flower and Fruit"
	Miss Margaret Hazlett.
Recitation	"The Ruggle's Dinner Party"
	Miss Louise L. Ansley.
Corset Duet	"Old Madrid"
	Messrs. Griffith and Zener.
Oration	"Lost' in a Crowd"
	Mr. Wallace C. Chapman.
Quartette	"There Was an Old Woman"
	Messrs. Stewart, Zener, Bee and Work.
Huyghenian Gem	D. Ira Johnston
Music	"Columbian Overture"
	Huyghenian Orchestra.
Part II.	
FARCE.	
"An Attempt at Economy"	
CAST	
Mr. Alexander Dableton	Charles D. McComish
Mrs. Dableton	Maude L. Fisher
Mr. Bird Plover	G. Meade Marshall
Mrs. Bird Plover	Ruby Leavitt
Doctor	George M. Edwards
Maggie, Mrs. Dableton's Maid	Birdie Craig
Music	Huyghenian Orchestra
Adjournment.	

After the reading of the minutes, the new officers, Mr. Ralph C. McComish, Miss Harriet Andrews and Miss Grace Grimm, took the oath of office, promising to discharge the duties of their respective offices to the best of their ability. The old officers, Miss Gertrude Coffin, Mr. D. Ira Johnston and Mr. Thomas Bracken, then withdrew.

In his inaugural address the president spoke in glowing terms of the work of the society during the year.

Miss Hazlett's essay and Miss Ansley's recitation deserve special mention. Miss Hazlett likened youth

to the flower and maturity to the perfected fruit in a way that was pleasing. Miss Ansley described the efforts of a fond mother who desired to imbue her children with manners on the occasion of a party to which they were asked. Mr. Chapman's oration was excellent. He described a single soul plodding through life, as one lost in a crowd.

The music was one of the best features of the program. The piano solo by Miss Owens and the cornet duet by Messrs. Griffith and Zener were appreciated greatly by the audience.

The farce was unusually good. The audience was convulsed at the efforts of Mr. Dabblenton to assist his wife at dress making. Mr. and Mrs. Bird Plover were the solicitor's friends. Miss Craig, as Maggie the maid, out-did herself.

The audience was conscious of having spent a profitable evening. The fact that forty-five new members were admitted shows that the society is doing excellent work.

There have been hung recently in the Erodolphian Society Hall three large, handsome pictures, Richter's "Queen Louise," Tadema's "Reading from Homer" and Quido Reni's "Aurora." The first two pictures are artistically framed in dark stained oak and black ebony, the latter in a solid mahogany frame with fine gold border producing a very rich effect. This fine picture of the Aurora is the gift of several members of the Alumni and former society members. The society themselves paid for the other two pictures from the proceeds of their last open meeting. This is only a beginning, however, of what the society will do in the future to beautify their hall and afford its members the enjoyment and culture to be absorbed from the best works of art.

Mr. Robert Waller left last week to spend the summer in the mountains of North Carolina with his cousin, Mr. Everett Camp.

## NORMAL NOTES.

Miss Elizabeth Waller, who spent the winter in southern California, returned recently.

Miss Sawyer, of the Elocution Department, visited Miss Tice, a classmate, in Johnstown recently.

Mr. D. R. Torrence, City Treasurer of Pittsburgh, visited Normal a few weeks ago as the guest of M. C. Gordon.

During Miss Leonard's absence from her classes in the winter term Miss Sara Birkman, of the class of '86, taught the classes in a very acceptable manner.

Miss Leonard spent ten days in Philadelphia recently. During Miss Leonard's absence, Mrs. Mitchell taught the History of Education and History of Literature classes.

Dr. John C. Calhoun, 111 Arch street, Allegheny, Telephone 1859 is a card which calls before the HERALD a familiar face and moves it to congratulations and good wishes.

Miss Dayton, of the Art Department, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Morgan, of Wilmerding, recently. Mrs. Morgan's maiden name was Miss Annie Kendig.

The plan of the trustees to erect more substantial and more attractive back stops at the tennis courts to replace those worn out is highly commended. Two have already been put up and painted white.

The Trustees have placed a number of large, oak settees under the trees on the front campus for the use of the ladies. The settees are painted green and consequently are in harmony with the grass and foliage.

Dr. Waller has been unusually busy this spring. In addition to his duties arising from the management of the largest school Indiana has ever had, he has made addresses at Ligonier, Latrobe, Allegheny, Johnstown, Leechburg, Reynoldsville and Summerville. He also preached the Bac-

calaureate sermon to the graduating class of the Derry High School.

The Clearfield *Republican* recently conducted a contest for a scholarship at the Indiana Normal School. The winner in the contest has, in this way, secured a year's schooling without cost. The great interest in the contest is shown by the fact that thirty-five thousand votes were cast by new subscribers and paid-up subscribers. We have not learned the name of the winner.

Mr. H. M. Beam's friends, of whom he has so many at Indiana, sympathize with him greatly in the sorrow he feels at the loss of his mother, who died suddenly of heart disease about two weeks ago. She was the inspiration of his life; it was for her approbation that he has worked, and achieved. We had hoped to have Mr. Beam with us for a while at least this summer, and shall be sorry if he now feels obliged to change his plan.

The HERALD regrets to announce that the beautiful steel flag staff erected by the Trustees last fall, was blown down by the storm on May 16. The staff was broken off about 20 feet from the ground and fell with so much force that it was warped and twisted to such an extent that it cannot be put up again. No decision has been reached as to whether another shall be erected in its place. The storm also blew down four or five trees in the grove.

The Misses Harold, of Beaver Falls, Miss Margaret Robertson, of Bellevue, Miss Bessie Bell, of Carnegie, Mrs. S. S. Hamilton, of Punxsutawney, Miss Edna Long, of Punxsutawney, Mr. Josiah Work, of Redcliffe, Mrs. P. Boyle, of Johnstown, Mr. George Sowash and Mr. Ben Steele, of Irwin, Mr. John Fielding, of Allegheny, Mrs. Charles H. Irwin '92, of Big Run, Mrs. John L. Thomas '86, of New Whatcom, Wash., and Mr. Harry Patterson, of Saltsburg, were recent visitors at Normal.



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# OUR ALUMNI

## FIFTH REUNION OF THE CONEMAUGH VALLEY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

The fifth annual reunion and banquet of the Conemaugh Valley Alumni Association of the Indiana State Normal School was held in Grand Army hall, Johnstown, Friday night, April 28. About 50 persons were in attendance.

A reception was held from 7:30 to 9 o'clock, after which a business meeting was held. The following officers were elected to serve for one year: President, T. J. Itell, Esq.; vice president, William Williams, Esq.; secretary, Miss Pearl Bash; treasurer, Miss Margaret H. Smith.

At the conclusion of the business meeting the happy throng adjourned to the banqueting hall where they were greeted by well-spread tables prepared by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Franklin street M. E. church. The room was prettily decorated, the liberal distribution of flowers aiding greatly in its embellishment. Following is the menu:

Ham	Blue Points	Tongue
Chicken Salad	Water Cress	Salad
Potato Salad	Sliced Tomatoes	Deviled Eggs
Bread	Biscuit	Butter
Olives	Pickles	
	Desert	
Vanilla Ice Cream	Assorted Cakes	
	Fruit	Orange Ice
Oranges		Bananas
Edam Cheese		Crackers
Tea		Coffee

City Superintendent Berkey graced the position as toast master, introducing each speaker in a happy manner born of his acquaintance with them all and thereby made doubly entertaining.

The toasts responded to were as follows: "Our Alma Mater," H. S. Bender; "The Normal as It Was and Is," Miss Jane Leonard; "Things Normal and Otherwise," Cyrus Elder, Esq.; "The Normal as a School Controller Sees It," Fred Krebs; "Some

Good Things Not Mentioned in the Normal Catalogue," Dr. D. J. Waller; "The Normal School and the College," Prof. W. F. Long; "Pennsylvania's Teachers," Hon. Henry Houck; "The Conemaugh Valley Alumni," Attorney Thomas J. Itell.

Those present from Indiana were: Dr. D. J. Waller, Misses Jane E. Leonard, Hope Stewart, Pearl Bash, Laura Bash, Clara Moorhead, Ann Sloan, Margaret H. Smith, Martha J. Smith and Mr. Charles McComish.

## ALLEGHENY COUNTY ALUMNI MEETING.

The third annual meeting of the Alumni Association of Allegheny county, took place on Friday evening, April 7. The fearful rain and storm would have kept at home less enthusiastic people than Indiana graduates. But in spite of the weather Cyclorama hall was well filled and never was there a meeting with a finer spirit. The officers of the Association and the friends of the school deserve the highest praise for the interest, skill, tact and good management displayed in getting up these meetings. Among others whom we remember as present were: Thomas Sutton and J. Wood Clark, president and secretary respectively of the board of trustees; Dr. D. J. Waller, principal of the school; Miss Jane E. Leonard, who has been the preceptress of the institution since its inception; J. Lisle Apple, who has charge of the voice culture department; Miss MacMartin, of the department of instrumental music; Miss Mabel Sawyer, teacher of elocution; Prof. M. C. Gordon and Prof. W. G. Chambers.

The hall was prettily decorated with smilax festooned around the chandeliers and draped from the four corners. Addresses were made by Thomas Sutton, Dr. Waller and Miss Leonard, and Prof. Apple, Misses MacMartin

and Sawyer entertained the guests with music and readings. Refreshments were served, and the reunion closed with a dance.

Other counties beside Indiana elected Indiana Normal School graduates as superintendents of schools. At the recent election Westmoreland county chose for the third time Prof. W. W. Ulerich of the class of '84, and Cambria chose Prof. T. L. Gibson of '88. Besides these Prof. J. M. Berkey was chosen superintendent of the Johnstown schools and Prof. J. P. Wiley, of the Connellsville schools. The following extracts taken from newspapers published in those districts show the high esteem in which these gentlemen are held:

The board of school controllers, Tuesday evening paid Prof. J. M. Berkey, superintendent of the city's public schools, two signal compliments. The board re-elected Prof. Berkey school superintendent, and voted to increase his present salary of \$2,000 a year to \$2,500 a year. The honor conveyed by this action was intensified by the fact that in both matters the board voted unanimously, not a single voice being heard in dissent, either in debate of the motions as made, or in the vote on the propositions.—*Johnstown Democrat*.

W. W. Ulerich has been re-elected county superintendent of schools by a handsome majority. His work during the two terms just completed satisfied the directors that he merited a continuance in office. Under his supervision the schools of Westmoreland have been greatly improved. Mr. Ulerich has been untiring in his efforts to improve.—*Greensburg Press*.

The election of Wiley gives general satisfaction to the citizens. His work in the schools has won the commendation of directors, teachers and school patrons.—*Connellsville Courier*.

Mr. Gibson has been a most excellent superintendent, and the schools of the county could not have been placed in better hands.—*Cambria Tribune*.

The Normal is preparing to give the '89's a right royal welcome this Commencement. We hope they will allow nothing to prevent them from coming and spending the week with us. They should each immediately write a sketch of the years since '89 and send it to the Historian of the class. If they will come determined to have a good time, renewing old friendships making love again to each other and to their Alma Mater, their tenth reunion will be something they will love to look back upon. Arrangements are being made to place the members of the class together in the new dormitory. The country is beautiful now for driving, the trees in the grove even will welcome all back to their old seats. We greatly regret that some of the class will be held in Allegheny and Pittsburg by the closing exercises of their schools but let such try to come if only for a day or two.

Miss Caroline Wetherell '89, is with the American Press Association at 45 and 47 Park Place, New York City. About a year ago she was offered an editorial position there to take charge of a Womens' and a Childrens' page, each issued weekly. New York, in her opinion, is the best and only field for women writers, though it is a trying and discouraging one for most. With her, she declares, "It has from the first been plain good luck." But what she calls good luck is probably another name for ability and hard work. Speaking of her old school she says, "I remember with much pleasure my terms at Indiana. I think the school life there and the general tuition about the best possible for a student, irrespective of the profession in view; it is all sound and practical."

From the Minneapolis, Minn., *Chronicle* we learn how well our Normal boy, now the Rev. McLain W. Davis is prospering. The attendance at his church, the Highland Park Presbyterian church, is larger than it has ever been, the benevolent contri-

butions have increased 50 per cent. over the preceding year, the pastor's salary has been increased by a unanimous vote and the church building has been greatly improved and renovated.

We have received the announcement of Hayswood Seminary, Maysville, Kentucky. The recent death of their father has placed this institution in the hands of Misses Fanny L., and Carrie D. Hays '89. The ladies have had experience in educational work in the south and the *HERALD* wishes them entire success in their present responsible undertaking.

George J. Feit, Esq., '90, following in the wake of Elkin '80, Langham '82, and Fisher '86, has been elected Republican county chairman of Indiana county. The mantle could not have fallen upon more energetic or more enthusiastic shoulders.

J. Irwin Robb '85, has been re-elected principal of schools of Lower Merion township, Delaware county, at an advanced salary. One cannot go into that part of the state without hearing great praise of Mr. Robb and his work.

Stewart H. Whitehill, of Brookville, is one of the four men who made Indiana's first graduating class but he is also a lawyer and a poet. Of his latest poems the *HERALD* wishes it could publish "Ingratitude."

Charles McComish '93, and his brother, Ralph, '97, go to California in July, where they expect to enter Leland Stanford University for several years of study.

Mr. Ulerich had a majority of 162 out of the 300 school directors who were present at the election of county superintendent for Westmoreland county.

Speaking of authors, Mrs. Bessie W. Stevenson '88, writes a good deal which she makes little account of but which publishers seem glad to get.

Joseph Huff '98, is teaching a local Normal School at Mt. Pleasant, where

he held the position of principal, during the past winter.

John C. Gourley and James F. Chapman '96, have a large school at Marion Center this summer.

The engagement of Miss Rena Beatty '98, has been announced.

D. Ira Hyskell '98, is attending Allegheny College, Meadville.

L. B. Mitchell '98, expects to go to Medical College this fall.

#### COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT.

The Commercial Department is one of the four departments of the school, and was organized for the purpose of instructing young men and women in the laws, customs and forms of business; to familiarize them with practical business problems, and in every way possible to prepare them for successful business lives. Part of each term is spent in "Actual Business." Each student enters business with a certain capital buys and sells; draws drafts and checks; writes notes, receipts, and other commercial papers, and conducts his business the same as in real business life.

In addition to the advantages of the Department, Commercial students have all the privileges of the large library and reading room, literary societies and debating clubs, athletic association, Christian Association, socials, lectures and other entertainments of the school.

The interest and attendance in this department are constantly increasing, the enrollment this year being the largest in the history of the school.

The teachers are of the regular school faculty, and are specialists in their several lines.

Our Shorthand and Typewriting course prepares young men and women for positions as stenographers, amanuenses, and court reporters. Our typewriters are all new and of the latest improved type. Many of the graduates from this department are now holding lucrative positions in various parts of the state. The system of shorthand taught is acknowledged to





## RELIGIOUS NOTES.

Of all the students who enter the Indiana Normal by far the great majority are members of some branch of the Christian church. Of the non-church members nearly all regard themselves as Christians. Under these conditions the Christian Association has but little opportunity to do a work which shows itself in conversions. Because of the lack of this evidence of successful effort it is not correct to assume that the Associations are doing nothing, for about Normal there is an atmosphere of live, every-day Christianity which may be traced directly to the Christian Association. A large part of our student body is developing those graces which, taken with intellectual training and a strong will, go to make up the rounded character. Students of former years returning to the school as visitors soon notice the conditions in this respect and seem gratified to find it so.

In its selection of officers for the coming year the Y. W. C. A., chose as President, Laura B. Walker; Vice President, Ethel Velte; Recording Secretary, Cora L. Allen; Corresponding Secretary, Frances Jose; Treasurer, Julia Stephenson.

The Y. M. C. A. has chosen the following officers to serve until next spring: President, Alfred P. Jaques; Vice President, J. C. Mahaffey; Corresponding Secretary, J. Den St. Clair; Recording Secretary, H. R. Jaques; Treasurer, S. G. Blackburn.

Miss Mintie Murray '93, who has been teaching with marked success at Wilmerding is soon to marry Rev. A. L. Wiley, brother to J. P. Wiley '88. Under the auspices of the Presbyterian Board Mr. and Mrs. Wiley will take up mission work in one of the north-western provinces of India.

On Sabbath evening, May 14, Dr. Harris, president of Bucknell University, preached the dedication sermon in the new Baptist church. Rev. A. J. Furman and his congregation are to be congratulated on the successful

completion of their new home without one penny of indebtedness unaccounted for. In this connection the sympathy and practical co-operation extended by members of the other churches and by business men in town have been delightful to see.

In honor of the second anniversary of the organization of the Y. W. C. A. special services have been arranged for May 28. Mrs. Lowry the present College secretary of Pennsylvania, and Miss Hayes, her predecessor, have promised to attend and address the meeting. Special music, a report by the retiring president and the reading of letters from former members are to be included in the program. Arrangements are also partially completed for the annual sermon to the two Christian Associations on June 18.

The editor of this column desires to hear from graduates of Indiana Normal who may be engaged to a greater or less extent in religious work. Experiences in either Home or Foreign missionary enterprises are always interesting and suggestive—interesting, because they tell what classmates and former associates are doing; suggestive, in that they indicate possible courses of action to those who are to come.

The conferences at Northfield Mass., are in the minds of the members of the Christian Association just now. Each Association hopes to send two delegates to its conference. To those fortunate enough to be chosen the opportunity is a rare one whether viewed purely on selfish grounds or as a training and preparation for Association work. At gatherings such as the ones at Northfield and the various district and State conventions of Christian Associations empty sentiment finds but vacant room. In harmony with the times the spirit of the gathering is always intensely practical.

Mr. Soper, College secretary for Pennsylvania, spent Sunday, May 21, with the Y. M. C. A. The morning and afternoon were spent in meeting with the various committeemen.

During the evening Mr. Soper addressed a joint meeting of the two Associations speaking of the Holy Spirit in connection with the topic of the evening, "The Gift of Power." Acts I: 1-8.

## NORMAL "VETERANS" BANQUET.

One of the pleasantest events of the war was the celebration of the first anniversary of the President's call for troops, by the Normal boys who served in the army during the war with Spain. On April 27, 1899, at 8 p. m. the boys, with their friends, Dr. and Mrs. Waller, Miss Leonard and Prof. Owens, gathered at the Episcopal church. The early part of the evening was spent in playing games and telling campfire stories and everyone was so interested that any interruption except "mess call" would have been considered out of order. At 9:30 supper was served by the "Ladies' Guild" and beside each plate was found a souvenir piece of hard tack decorated in the national colors. After the board had been cleared Toastmaster Charles D. McComish with a few most happy remarks introduced the speakers of the evening.

H. Ney Prothero responded to "The Red Cross." R. H. Wiggins spoke of "People I Met" and Frank C. Lohr of "Fresh Fish."

Ralph McComish paid a tribute to "the ladies" for the part they had taken in the war, and D. S. Ashcom discussed that unpopular department, "The Commissary." The talks were brief and pointed and full of humor and personal experience.

Miss Leonard spoke of "The American Volunteer" in a way that made the boys draw themselves up to their full height and feel glad that they had said "I do."

Dr. Waller came last with "The boys '61 and '98," and his comparison was such as might have made the boys feel larger than their fathers.

Story telling and games were resumed after supper and continued "till morning" when all went away hoping that they would be present at the next reunion of "Normal's Veterans."





